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The Weather

Arkansas: Showers in east portion this afternoon and tonight; cold wave tonight and Sunday with hard freeze. Fresh to strong winds.

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# Reds Reach Donets River

## Our Daily Bread

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### Paralysis Campaign

During the epidemic of 1942 there were 142 Arkansas boys and girls stricken with infantile paralysis. "But the world looks brighter to them," says a letter from Governor Homer M. Adkins, "because many citizens, who cared, planned for such an emergency under the direction of the Arkansas State Chapter."

## 23 Nazi Planes Shot Down Over Tunisia Friday

By WES GALLAGHER

Allied Headquarters in North Africa, Jan. 16 (AP)—American and RAF fighters and even bombers, battled Axis aircraft in the biggest aerial dogfight of the Tunisian campaign in days and night yesterday, blasting 23 German and Italian planes from the skies, it was announced today.

Aerial activity was intense over the entire Tunisian front. More than half the toll was taken in two actions. The Germans attempted to bomb advanced Allied airfields and lost seven planes. Then P-38 Lightnings and B-25 Bells Mitchell bombers engaged 50 Axis transport planes off the Tunisian coast and shot down seven more.

(On the Tripolitanian front the British told of strongly increased patrol operations in which casualties were inflicted on Marshal Rommel's forces in several sectors, and the Italian high command reported the outbreak of violent ground fighting.)

(The Italian report said Axis supported Allied forces were on the attack again from the east suggested that Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's British Eighth Army may have launched a new drive to roll Rommel back to Tripoli from his present holding positions along the Gulf of Sirte.)

The Allied communique reporting the Tunisian operations said:

"Ground activity was limited to patrolling on both sides.

"In the course of operations off the Tunisian coast by our medium bombers and fighters, a large schooner was bombed and attacks were made on two escorted formations of enemy transport planes.

"Seven transports and two escorted fighters were shot down. Other medium bombers attacked road and rail communications near Gabes. Enemy fighters were encountered. One of them was destroyed.

"Last night six enemy bombers were destroyed. During daylight attacks on our air fields seven enemy aircraft were destroyed.

"From all these operations eight of our aircraft are missing."

Algiers had two alerts during the night and was related to a display of aerial fireworks as light guns went into action, but no damage was done.

The Lafayette escadrille of the French Fighting force claimed its first enemy planes of the campaign. The squadron's American-built P-40's shot down two Messerschmitt 109's, repelling a raid on an airfield.

Besides the plane shot down 14 more were damaged in the past 48 hours, a spokesman said.

He said the biggest single toll yesterday was taken by B-25's and P-38's which twice intercepted and engaged what apparently was the same fighter-guarded flight of 50 transport planes.

They were flying southeast, apparently taking supplies to Rommel's forces.

Five transports fell in flames in the first attack. Two more and two fighters were shot down in the second.

Under no circumstances should a fire be continued in service until the wear extends through more than one carcass ply.

One of the tanks produced by the automobile industry can push over any tree up to 15-inch diameter and 25-inch trees after three pushes.

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## New Milk Price Set by OPA in Six State Area

Dallas, Tex., Jan. 16 (AP)—The OPA today created a completely new system of milk price ceilings in six southwest states.

An order approved by Price Administrator Leon Henderson abolishes—in Texas, Oklahoma, Missouri, Louisiana, Arkansas and Kansas—the present system of tying ceiling prices to levels in effect March 1, 1942. The system may set the pattern for a similar nationwide order, OPA said.

The system begins operating Monday. It affects every county, city and community in the region—setting a flat price for wholesale and retail milk sold in quantities from a gallon to a half pint. The prices in different communities will vary. There are two zones in the region, each zone divided into three classes. Each class in each zone will have a specific price setting.

The new system aims at meeting demands of milk distributors and producers for an easement of ceiling prices; restoring the balance of milk supplies as between cities; curtailment of the slaughter, sale and non-use of dairy cattle because of high feed and labor costs.

Regional Administrator Max McCullough said the new order permits the milk seller to eliminate any discounts he may have had before now. Under the current system sellers were required to maintain any discounts they gave in March, 1942.

McCullough said the new system, untied anywhere else in the nation on this scale, would serve as a guide for future changes in a nation's price-control schemes.

The OPA said a defect in the current system "had caused abnormal price relations between different cities, placing milk distributors in some cities at an advantage over distributors in other cities in the same area and leading to a diversion of milk to the cities having the highest ceiling prices."

McCullough said "any dealer may sell milk below the newly established maximums, but violation of the regulation by selling above the maximums is subject to stern penalties."

Approximately 65 Texas counties, 30 Louisiana parishes and 27 Missouri counties comprise all classes in Zone 1. This zone does not extend into Oklahoma, Arkansas or Kansas. Zone two reaches into all six states—covering all the area not included in the other.

Milk prices per quart will be one cent higher in each class in zone one than in corresponding classes of Zone two.

In Zone one the range for gallon milk runs from 56 cents retail in class one to 48 cent in class three. Corresponding prices in Zone two are 52 and 44 cents.

The absolute maximum housewives can be charged anywhere in the region is 15 cents per quart. In most places, OPA explained, prices are graduated down as low as 12 cents.

McCullough, further commenting on present price disparities, said: "Because such milk products as butter, cheese, condensed milk, and evaporated milk were not subject to price regulation prior to last October, a lack of balance developed between prices for fluid milk and manufactured milk, leading to a diversion of milk to manufacturing plants."

"In many cases, freezing orders caused varying prices within the same city," he said.

Increased production costs, he said, had forced producers to hike

## Striking Miners Joined Today by 3,800 More Men

Wilkes-Barre, Pa., Jan. 16 (AP)—Thirty-eight hundred men hitherto not on strike joined the 18-day-old wildcat walkout of Pennsylvania anthracite miners today, despite a War Labor Board ultimatum directing 10,000 to 17,000 other strikers to return to their jobs immediately.

The new strikers, members of three insurgent locals of the United Mine Workers, adopted a resolution four days ago declaring they would go out unless a 50-cent-a-month increase in the union's dues were eliminated by January 15.

Earlier today UMW leaders—both insurgent and loyal—had said they anticipated the strikers would go back to work Monday in compliance with the War Labor Board ultimatum, which directed them to submit their grievances—including a demand for a \$2 a day wage bonus—to processes provided in their working contract.

The War Labor Board said earlier this week unless the walkout ended it would use all the power at its command to compel resumption of production.

The statement was taken as a strong indication that if necessary the board would ask President Roosevelt to seize the strike-bound mines in the name of the government.

WLB said the walk out had endangered the prosecution of the war by creating a hard coal shortage throughout the northeast.

"Spokesmen who earlier said they would not authorize us of their names, emphasizing that only the membership could decide whether to heed the WLB order."

Allied Headquarters in Australia, Jan. 16 (AP)—Allied ground forces attacking the last pocket of Japanese resistance on the Papuan peninsula of New Guinea have broken through and destroyed a section of enemy forward positions at Sanananda and have slain 152 Japanese who attempted to stop the advance, an Allied communique said today.

Quantities of arms and equipment were captured by the Allied troops, the bulletin said, but there was no further amplification of the successful action.

Sanananda is northwest of the former Japanese stronghold at Buna on the northeast coast of New Guinea and like Buna is protected by a series of jungle fortifications and difficult swampy country. Recent rains have increased the difficulties of the Allied forces seeking to clear Papua of the remnants of a Japanese Army which once totaled 15,000 men.

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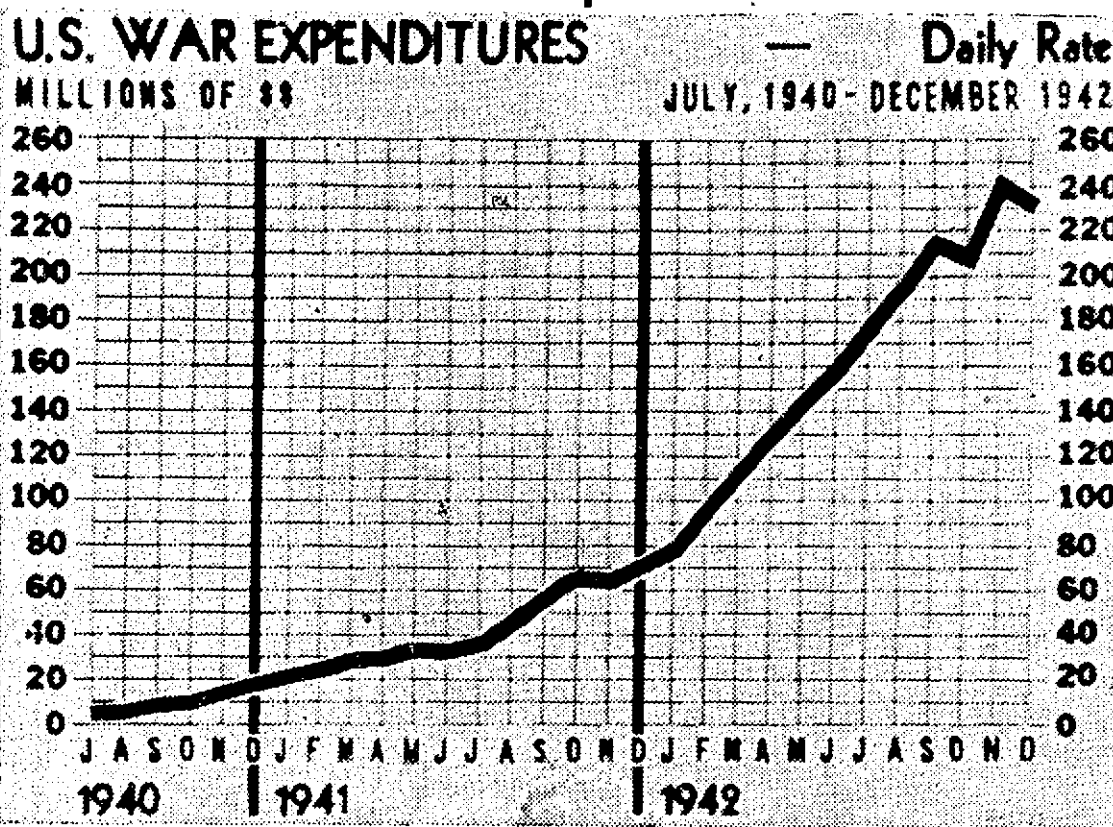
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## Chart of U. S. War Expenditures



## Mistrial Asked by Prosecution in Flynn Case

Los Angeles, Jan. 16 (AP)—Alleged prejudicial remarks by two women jurors were the basis of prosecution efforts today to obtain a mistrial in the case of film actor Errol Flynn, charged with three counts of statutory rape upon two teenage girls.

The district attorney filed a mistrial motion, backed with affidavits of three women, called in the original venire panel, that they heard the two jurors in question express opinions with relation to the actor.

Hearing on the motion was set for next Monday. The actor's attorney, Jerry Giesler, said he would resist it strenuously.

Two of the women who made the affidavits had been removed from the jury box on peremptory challenges by the state. The third was a member of the panel from which the Flynn jury was drawn, but was not called in the actor's trial.

The latter, Mrs. Harriet R. Ponder, swore that Miss Elaine Forbes, secretary to a radio network executive, expressed a determination to convict Flynn and that Mrs. Lorene Boehm, wife of an industrial engineer, declared, "I am for Errol Flynn in a big way."

Mrs. Ponder asserted Miss Forbes had stated two weeks before Christmas she "had to get on the Flynn jury."

Her affidavit quotes Miss Forbes as expressing similar sentiments in a vehement manner, and as saying, "If we get on the Flynn jury, we will fix him, won't we, Mrs. Ponder?"

Before Flynn came to trial, Mrs. Ponder declared, Mrs. Boehm remarked, "I am for Errol Flynn in a big way."

In the two other affidavits, Mrs. Emily S. Blue and Mrs. Gussie Rowe declared that during selection of the jury they heard Miss Forbes say: "I just must get on that Flynn jury. I don't know what I'll do if I don't get on that jury."

They added that Miss Forbes asserted she could acquit the actor, contrary to her attitude as related in Mrs. Ponder's affidavit, and that the juror had given illness as an excuse for three weeks to avoid jury duty so she would be available when the Flynn case was called.

The mistrial motion came during testimony by Miss Lyne Boyer, honey blond Hollywood singer. She had wept and twisted her handkerchief to ribbons while telling of a part at Bel Air house last Sept. 27 during which the state charges Flynn ravished 17-year-old Betty Hansen in an upstairs bedroom.

The actor is charged on two other counts with acts of intimacy during a week-end cruise on his yacht Sirocco in August, 1941, with Miss Peggy La Rue Satterlee, 16-year-old Hollywood entertainer. Testimony concerning the latter charges had not yet been introduced.

Rice Proves Easy for Porker Team

Fayetteville, Jan. 16 (AP)—Rice's Owls will have to improve a lot if they hope to share the 1943 Southwest championship with anybody—as they did last year with Arkansas Razorbacks.

The Razorbacks walloped the Owls 52-35 last night in the opener of their two-game series which ends tonight.

## Republicans Fight Over Leadership

Little Rock, Jan. 16 (AP)—Only two persons are involved, but it's the warmest political fight of the 1943 Arkansas legislature and one that likely will never be settled.

Principals are the two Republican members of the House. The bone of contention—the minority leadership.

Rotund, red-headed Rep. Custar R. Ham of Newton county and slender dark-haired Rep. Curtis R. Swaim of nearby Madison county have taken up the argument where they left off at the 1941 session. They were the only Republicans to come to the legislature that year.

Sitting side by side in the rear of the chamber, the two Republicans debate the issue daily while joshing Democrat colleagues join in.

Ham claims the office by seniority rights, having served two weeks of the 1939 session while an election contest that unseated him was going on back home, but Swaim asserts that Ham's two weeks time was nullified by the court order seating his opponent.

As Swaim puts it, the minority leadership is quite a plum because it permits him to name the minority members of House committees.

While both Republicans are on several committees, they have only one chairmanship. Ham is head of the rules committee.

The Newton county representative caught his opponent outside the chamber recently and declared himself elected but Swaim nullified the effort by obtaining a ruling that the election was out of order because only half of the Republican membership had voted.

The argument still goes on, and in Swaim's words: "It looks like we're hopelessly deadlocked."

Offered to Deliver Power Without Profit

Little Rock, Jan. 16 (AP)—The Southwest Power Pool of 10 interstate transmission lines from Grand River dam, to the Lake Catherine aluminum plant to "keep public power out" of the Arkansas power picture, a utility executive told the Federal Power Commission.

C. Hamilton Moses, president of the Arkansas Power and Light Company, declared that the pool offered to build the line and "to congregate and deliver power to the aluminum plant without profit."

The purpose of the offer was outlined yesterday by Moses at the FPC's investigation hearing of the reasonableness of the pool's rates to the government's aluminum plant at Lake Catherine. The hearing, now in its second phase, was in recess today.

The REA-financed Ark-La Electric Cooperative Inc., was authorized, over the pool's opposition, a year ago to build a line from Grand River dam to Lake Catherine, thus giving the cooperative its own high transmission line halfway across the state with a direct connection to the government-controlled dam's generators.

Average tornado travels a distance of 30 miles.

## Lorient Hit Again by Big RAF Bombers

London, Jan. 16 (AP)—Lorient, German submarine base in western France, was heavily attacked again last night, the Air Ministry reported today.

Targets in western Germany also were bombed during the night and fighter planes swarmed over railway targets in France, Holland and Belgium, the Ministry said.

Two bombers failed to return. In the attack on Lorient, the port was well illuminated by flares and moonlight, and after a concentrated attack large fires were seen in the dock area, the Air Ministry said.

The raid was the 59th on Lorient. Thursday night British bombers took advantage of the bright moonlight to pound the base, leaving large fires.

The U. S. air forces based in the British Isles had gone over the port in three daylight precision raids previously in the series of attacks intended to smash the fuel dumps, undersea boat pens, power stations and machinery.

British planes, sweeping over occupied France and Belgium, were reported to have shot out at least 15 railway engines and attacked enemy aircraft landing at a German airfield.

German night raiders, meanwhile, bombed three inland areas in eastern England, causing considerable property damage and a number of casualties. Only a small number of planes, however, apparently took part in these attacks.

Of the British airmen participating in the raids on enemy territory last night one squadron leader was credited with shooting up two trains near Hazebrouck, making five separate attacks on one.

Whirlwind bombers also made several attacks on trains, and one successfully bombed railway traffic near Ypres, the Air Ministry says Service said.

Experts Called to Cap Wild Gas Well

Magnolia, Jan. 16 (AP)—Professional wild well fighters from Houston, Tex., sought today to cap the Tidewater Associated Oil Company's Mack No. 1 well as the State Oil and Gas Commission took intense precautions against fire and gas poisoning.

The gasser has been running wild since Thursday night when it blew out during recompletion operations. The commission ordered all persons working near the well to don gas masks and directed evacuation of half dozen homes in the vicinity. All fires within a four mile radius were extinguished.

The well's gas contains large amounts of poisonous hydrogen sulphide. The oil from the well is being run into pits and will be salvaged.

The Japanese Zero fighting plane, plywood and fabric constructed, is fast, maneuverable and light but highly vulnerable since it lacks armor.

Catapult planes are known as "walrus."

## Last Natural Barrier in Push Against Rostov

By HENRY C. CASSIDY

Moscow, Jan. 16 (AP)—Sweeping through 30 more towns, Red Army forces battled to the east bank of the Donets river 20 miles southeast of Kamensk and to the Sal-Manych hills overlooking the Manych river southeast of Rostov today as they steadily closed-in in a semicircle around the big Nazi base at the gateway to the Caucasus.

(These positions would put the Russians some 80 to 90 miles from Rostov to the northeast and south east, they already had ridden within 80 miles of the big port from the east in their smash down both banks of the lower Don.)

Battlefront dispatches indicated that the battle for Rostov itself was about to begin, with the Russians preparing for a smash across the Donets—despite the difficulties of winter weather at its height.

The Soviet Information Bureau announced the Donets was reached in a Russian advance on a 25-mile front which recaptured the villages of Borodino and Pospelov, on the east bank of the river where it loops to the northwest past Kamensk.

Other forces pushing down the Moscow-Rostov rail line from the west were said to have made new gains between encircled Millerovo and Kamensk.

Southeast of Rostov, the Information Bureau said, "Soviet troops reached the ridge of the Sal-Manych range. Now they face the Manych lowlands with many lakes joined by canals forming the gigantic Manych canal, which plays an enormous part in irrigation of the arid steppes of the Northern Caucasus."

(The Manych begins in the big Kalmyk lake between Elista and Salsk, flows just east of Salsk and empties into the Don 30 mile upriver from Rostov.)

The forward sweep was important not so much for the number of places taken as for the strategic significance of most of them. Most of the towns listed as newly occupied were on the Rostov-Moscow railway 14 miles north of Kamensk-Shakhtinsk.

Litvinovka, where the Middle Don army crossed the Kalitva river in its westward thrust into the Donets basin.

Diadin, southwest of Litvinovka and close to the shores of the winding Donets river.

Kreeny, 38 miles southwest of Zimovniki on the Stalingrad-Ikhoretsk railway and little more than 40 miles from Salsk.

Blagodatnoye at the head of a rail spur that connects with the Divnoye-Kropotkin main line through the Caucasus.

Alexandrovskoye, 35 miles north of Mineralnye Vody and about the same distance southwest of Blagodatnoye.

Nogutskoye, 25 miles west of Mineralnye Vody on the main railway to Rostov.

Bekeshevskaya, south of the main Baku-Rostov railway.

The Soviet early communique, reporting the recapture of all of these cities, also named places taken behind those positions by the Middle Don Army of Col. Gen. Nikolai F. Vatutin and the forces of Col. Gen. Yermenko, which traveled southwest along the railroad from Stalingrad.

It was the first specific news of Vatutin's troops in days. Between his columns and those of Yermenko, the Army commanded by Lieut. Gen. Constantin Rokossovsky made slow headway in the lower Don region about 60 miles from Rostov against intensive counterattacks.

(The Soviet noon communique recited new gains in last night's fighting with some towns reported captured in the North Caucasus and in the Lower Don, but it did not identify them.)

(The offensive also continued in the northern Donets area, the war bulletin said, without giving any details of the fighting there.)

(Resistance in the Lower Don are a continued fierce but a flanking movement crumpled a powerful enemy defense zone, the Soviet authorities said, and in the Northern Caucasus the advancing Red Army routed an enemy battalion in one sector and killed about 200 Germans when they captured a supply train in another sector.)

(In taking a North Caucasus town, Soviet troops regained about 10,000 head of cattle which they said the Germans had taken from the peasants.)

(On the Central front southwest of Velikie Luki, the communique said, German infantry attacked with tank support but were driven back, leaving 180 dead.)



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15-1tp

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LADY CASHIER FOR EXTRA work. Phone 537. 13-1tp

## School Bus, Truck Collide, Students Hurt

Amity, Jan. 16.—(AP)—A loaded school bus and log truck both overturned and caught fire after an accident near here today, injuring several children, some severely.

O. W. Wheeler, a taxi driver, arrived shortly after the accident, helped the children from the burning bus and brought the most severely injured to Amity, Mrs. Matie Sanders, assistant bank cashier said. She continued:

"The children's most severe injuries seemed to be broken bones, cuts and such. Apparently none

was burned badly although some had their hair singed or their clothes burned."

Mrs. Sanders said the children lived between here and Alpine and attended the Amity consolidated school. The school had dismissed early, due to the death of a school board member.

Mark Karber of Alpine was the bus driver, Mrs. Sanders said. She had no report on the accident's cause.

## Today in Congress

By The Associated Press  
Senate and House  
In recess until Monday.  
Elsewhere:  
Selective Service  
Drafts new directive designed to liberalize deferments for essential farm workers.

## The Gremlins

GO AHEAD, YOU SAY! BUY THAT DIAMOND RING FOR YOURSELF WITH THAT WAR BOND MONEY. YOU KNOW YOU'VE ALWAYS WANTED ONE AND YOU MAY NEVER HAVE THIS MUCH MONEY AGAIN. G'WAIN, LET THE OTHER GUYS BUY THE BONDS.

BUY WAR BONDS

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ASK HIM.

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## OUT OUR WAY

HERE, CHECK ME ON THIS. I'VE BEEN PRACTISING CONCENTRATING IN THAT BARGAIN SALE MOB, SO I CAN THINK AND MAKE AN INTELLIGENT SPEECH IN A CROWD. I THINK I'M GETTING IT. TRY ME—"SWEET AUBURN, LOVELIEST VILLAGE OF THE PLAIN."

OOH! A MILE LONG AND I FEEL HE CAN DO IT!

HEROES ARE MADE—NOT BORN

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